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## Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C0070005
Inspection Type:	PARTIAL
Inspection Date:	Thursday, March 25, 2004
Start Date/Time:	03/25/2004 10:00:00 PM
End Date/Time:	03/25/2004 2:00:00 PM
Last Inspection:	Tuesday, February 10, 2004

Inspector: Steve Demczak, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: Sunny, 40's, Snow Covered

InspectionID Report Number: 216

Accepted by: pgrubaug  
04/12/2004

Permittee: **CANYON FUEL COMPANY LLC**

Operator: **CANYON FUEL COMPANY LLC**

Site: **SKYLINE MINE**

Address: **HC 35 BOX 380, HELPER UT 84526**

County: **CARBON**

Permit Type: **PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM**

Permit Status: **ACTIVE**

**Current Acreages**

7,121.00	Total Permitted
83.92	Total Disturbed
	Phase I
	Phase II
	Phase III

**Mineral Ownership**

- ☐ Federal  
☐ State  
☐ County  
☐ Fee  
☐ Other

**Types of Operations**

- ☒ Underground  
☐ Surface  
☐ Loadout  
☐ Processing  
☐ Reprocessing

**Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:**

Outstanding Projects- HCI Ground Water Model Report in PHC, Embankment Of Mining Equipment,

**Permit Conditions:**

- 1) Submit Water Monitoring data in electronic format to the Division.
- 2) Canyon Fuel Co. must submit all existing studies and data for the update of the PHC as a result of the mine inflows.
- 3) Canyon Fuel Co. must submit cumulative monthly flow data for discharges into Electric Lake and Eccles Creek.
- 4) Canyon Fuel Co. must have a qualified person compile and analyze past macroinvertebrate studies on Eccles Creek into one report.
- 5) Canyon Fuel Co. must initiate an update to and further evaluation of the Hydrologic and Channel-Stability Evaluation of Eccles and Mud Creek.

The permittee is meeting these permit conditions.

Outstanding Violations- None

**Inspector's Signature:**

**Date** Friday, March 26, 2004

Steve Demczak, Environmental Scientist III

Inspector ID Number: 39

**Note:** This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

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## Inspection Continuation Sheet

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### **REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENT**

1. *Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.*
  - a. *For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.*
  - b. *For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.*
2. *Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.*
3. *Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.*
4. *Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.*

	Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Signs and Markers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Topsoil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Explosives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Noncoal Waste	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Slides and Other Damage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Contemporaneous Reclamation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Backfilling And Grading	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Revegetation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Subsidence Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Cessation of Operations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.b Roads: Drainage Controls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Other Transportation Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Support Facilities, Utility Installations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS Check	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Air Quality Permit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. Bonding and Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**3. Topsoil**

The topsoil pile at the mine site was partly covered with snow. There were no signs of soil, or water erosion.

**4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions**

Some of the diversions were cleaned out since the last inspection. As the snow melts, the permittee will need to clean out several other diversions. Sediment has started to accumulate within the diversions.

**4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments**

The mine site and rail loadout sediment ponds were inspected with no hazardous conditions noticed. The mine site pond was discharging water during the inspection.

**4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures**

The permittee may need to repair silt fences in the near future. Most silt fences are partially or completely covered with snowfall.

**7. Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments**

The refuse pile is still inaccessible by vehicles due to snow covered and muddy conditions. The inspection of the refuse pile may be possible on the next inspection.

**8. Noncoal Waste**

The mine area was generally clear of non-coal waste material.

**11. Contemporaneous Reclamation**

The Division staff should review the South Fork reclamation after the snow has melted.

**15. Cessation of Operations**

The Skyline Mine is in the process of mining the last developed longwall panel. It is possible that the mine will be idle after the panel is mined out.

**18. Support Facilities, Utility Installations**

No new support installations have been added since the last inspection.